

VIENNESE FAILED TO SEE MR. TAFT

Visitors Do Not Conceal Their
Feeling on Subject.

HAD A SONG TO HONOR HIM

The President's Notification That He
Could Not Receive Such a Large
Party at Beverly Regarded as In-
justice by Some, After They Had
Expected to Be Received.

Germans of Washington and their 200
guests from the University of Vienna,
comprising the Gaesengverein, are disap-
pointed at President Taft's refusal to
hear them at Beverly last week, after
they had prepared a special anthem in
his honor.

The President explained at the time
that in Beverly there wasn't room for
such a crowd. When the singers came
to this country before President Roosevelt
received them in Washington. They sang
an anthem in his honor and received his
praise. To sing before President Taft
was one of their cherished wishes, and
would have been a crowning feature of
their trip across the ocean. Now they
are disappointed.

Charles O. Korth, secretary of the
Northeastern Saengerbund of America,
with headquarters at New York, who is
here with the Gaesengverein, said:

"Our visitors are disappointed. Every
arrangement had been made through the
Austrian Embassy for their reception by
President Taft at Beverly. They were
informed of that fact while they had not
yet embarked on the other side. One
of their main objects in visiting America
was to sing before the President of the
United States, the same as the Vienna
Maennergesangverein sang at the White
House before President Roosevelt, two
or three years ago. When the students
arrived in this country, they were in-
formed by the Austrian Embassy that
President Taft could not receive them.

"A serious blunder was made some-
where by somebody. Whatever the trouble
may be, the visitors feel deeply dis-
appointed and slighted, and as their hosts
while in this country, the German soci-
eties everywhere sympathize with them
and resent the treatment accorded them
at the hands of those who are respon-
sible for this faux pas."

PENSION CLERK DIES.

Philip Hoffinger Was Also Veteran
of the G. A. R.

Philip J. Hoffinger, seventy-one years
old, one of the oldest employees of the
Pension Office, died last night at his
home, 1406 Thirty-fifth street, of cir-
rhosis of the liver. He had been ill three
months.

Mr. Hoffinger was a native of Philadel-
phia. He served in the Ninety-fifth Penn-
sylvania Regiment during the civil war,
and was attached to the field hospital
corps. He was a member of the Depart-
ment of the Potomac, G. A. R.

His wife survives him. Arrangements
for the funeral have not been completed,
though the services will be conducted by
the G. A. R., with interment in Arling-
ton Cemetery.

HELD FOR CHECK PASSING.

Junius P. Hall Becomes Ill After Be-
ing Placed in Prison.

On charges of obtaining money under
false pretenses by means of worthless
checks, Junius P. Hall, twenty-nine years
old, until the past few months an agent
of the Home Insurance Company, was
arrested last night by Officer L. I. H.
Edwards, of the First precinct. He was
turned over to Detective Berman and
Cox, of the central office, who held
several warrants for him.

Hall is said to have visited drug stores
where he was known as a life insurance
collection agent, made small purchases,
and obtained change on checks of \$2 to
\$10. The police have obtained about a
dozen specimens of the bogus paper.

Hall was sent to the First precinct sta-
tion to be held for preliminary examina-
tion in the Police Court to-day, but was
taken sick and removed to Emergency
Hospital. His condition is not serious,
and physicians stated last night that he
would be able to face the court within a
few days.

RUNS TO BLADENBURG.

Historic Bladensburg was connected by
rail with the Capital for the first time
last Thursday when the Washington, Spa
Springs and Gretna Railroad began opera-
tions over a heavily built modern trac-
tion road, which has its terminus at
Fifteenth street and New York avenue
northeast.

Negotiations with the District and
Maryland delayed the start of the work
until May 2, and it was necessary to have
the road in operation before August 26.
Burton & Co., contractors, of Richmond,
Va., were awarded the contract, and
finished the work in rapid time. The con-
struction involved the grading of the city
streets, moving of gas and water mains,
street lamps, telegraph poles, and the
foundations and superstructure of a 200-
foot bridge over the Anacostia River.

The cars are running on a regular
schedule, and yesterday carried crowds
to Bladensburg.



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NONE SENT C. O. D.

SUICIDE LEAVES MYSTERY TANGLE

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one, which indicates it was not received
from the wire.

A ticket found in Harris' pocket showed
that he had purchased two for a river
trip and used one of them. What he
intended doing with the other is a
mystery.

It is evident that he returned from his
boat ride and left the wharf in the direc-
tion of his home about 11:30 o'clock, pass-
ing into the lonely side street where his
body was found. Dr. Thomas Linnville,
of 437 Massachusetts avenue, examined
young Harris in March as to his physical
fitness for insurance in the Modern
Woodmen of America. He says he formed
no opinion as to the young man's char-
acter. He told the police he saw Harris
standing in the crowd at the Seventh
street wharf about 6:30 o'clock Saturday
night. Dr. Linnville had just returned
from Marshall Hall. He did not speak
to Harris.

More Letters Found.
Two mysterious letters, written by
young Harris last Sunday and Monday,
under a Baltimore heading, were found
at his home last night by Detective
Cox. Neither had been mailed. Both al-
luded to his troubles with a young
woman in Baltimore, who, he said, was
an orphan. Apparently, Harris had in-
tended making a clean breast of an un-
fortunate love affair. The police refused
to give out the wording of these letters
until after the inquest. Their theory is
that Harris made up his mind to weave
a romance about himself, and that the
unmailed notes were a part of his insane
scheme. At this time the Baltimore po-
lice were asked to search for a young
woman that Harris referred to.

Detectives Spratt, Springman, Howett,
and Grant, who are working on the
case with Detective Cox, all agreed that
the fact that he used one of the tickets
for the river excursion of the Woodmen
of the World is established. A steamer
from Marshall Hall arrived at its dock
about 11:30 o'clock Saturday night.

It is supposed Harris brooded over his
imaginary troubles during the ride down
the river and back, and that he left the
steamer and took a short cut through 1
street, making for the Seventh street
car. In the middle of the dark square
he apparently made up his mind to do
things, drew his revolver, placed it just
behind his right ear, and fired.

Theory Is Borne Out.

The position of the body and of the
wound both bore out this theory. Each
of the half dozen residents of the neigh-
borhood who were within hearing de-
clared positively there was only one shot
fired. That he lay the revolver by his
side when the unknown negro found him
yesterday morning is the belief of the
majority of those who worked on the case.

Harris was in the employ of his uncle,
who is a street contractor. He was earn-
ing \$15 a week and his board, and had a
tiny little sum deposited in a savings
bank. Robert Bailey, a fellow-workman,
and apparently the only one who had
made friends with Harris, said the boy
was reticent about his affairs. He had
never heard of his love troubles, but he
knew Harris had been brooding consid-
erably during the last two weeks.

He was slightly deaf and was very
sensitive about the affliction. His rela-
tives believed this made him avoid com-
panionship with young men of his own
age.

There were several pictures of young
women in Harris' room. One of them
his uncle believed was a Roanoke girl.
Harris was employed by the Norfolk and
Western Railroad in Roanoke two years
ago, and lost his position when the road
reduced its force. He brought an excel-
lent recommendation back with him, and
his associates here said he was a hard
worker.

Mr. Harris, the uncle, said last night
there was absolutely no truth in the
statement that his nephew was afraid of
discharged workmen.

Discharged Men Himself.

"That is all foolishness," he said. "I
discharged those men, and Norval had
nothing to do with it, and knew it. The
men liked the boy. I don't know why
he carried a pistol, but it was not be-
cause he thought any one 'had it in' for
him."

Coroner Nevitt said it was a clear case
of suicide. He further said:

"The coroner's jury will be sworn in to-
morrow, and unless something unfore-
seen comes up, the inquest will be held at
once. To sing before President Taft was
nothing to show it was not a suicide.
That will be the verdict of the jury, un-
less the detectives dig up some more evi-
dence to-morrow."

"The wound in Harris' head could easily
have been made by a pistol held in his
own hand. The bullet took the right
course for such a theory. It seems to me
very probable that the negro who found
the body had the pistol."

"In addition, Harris' clothing bore no
evidence of a struggle, and his face and
body bore no bruises or cuts. It is not
probable that any one could have taken
Harris' pistol out of his pocket and shot
him without a fight."

VIENNESE UNITE IN GERMAN CHEER

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entation of the Austrian flag. "My
Country 'Tis of Thee" and "The Star
Spangled Banner" were received by the
foreign students standing at attention.
The four officers of the student body,
including Her Kunzfeld, the president;
Erich Heller, first "chargierter"; Otto
Borschka, third "chargierter"; and Rudolf
Hausjell, "fuchsmajor," took positions on
the platform and stood at attention while
the speeches were delivered.

George W. Spier, chairman of the execu-
tive committee, made the address of wel-
come, saying in effect that ever since the
Viennese had decided to visit Washing-
ton, they had followed their itinerary step by step, wait-
ing anxiously for the day of their arrival
in this city. Mr. Spier said:

"Watched Their Journey.
"Since August 4, when you left Genoa,
our thoughts were with you when on the
high seas, and when you landed on our
shores, in Boston, and at Niagara Falls,
until at last we can say: They are here;
we have them with us!"

"Out of this feeling I greet you in the
name of the Washington Saengerbund
and in the name of the Germans in this
city. These days will tell you that there
are twenty-four associations represented
here to-night. We all join in the saluta-
tion: To the Academic Singing Society
of Vienna a hearty welcome in the Capital
of the United States."

"Three years ago when, after the great
concert in the White House, the Wiener
Maennergesangverein celebrated with us
in this hall its great achievement, a seed
was sown which begins to bear deligh-
tful fruit. And so will this day be re-
membered, and when you have returned
to your homes, you will tell your friends
of the wonders of a new country. We
extend an invitation to the singing so-
cieties of the old world to visit this
country; we are always ready to receive
them with open arms."

"The German song has accompanied us
on our journey through life, the German
song has been our consolation in sad mo-
ments, and it has given our joys the
highest consecration. German song! De-
lightful inheritance of our forefathers, we
will vow thee fidelity and devotion as
long as we live! And in commemora-
tion of Goethe's birthday we conclude
with the great poet:

"What you have inherited from your ancestors,
Attain it in order to possess it."

Bund's Cable Appreciated.

Ernst Kunzfeld, for the visitors, replied
and said that it was the Washington
people particularly who gave them the
greatest encouragement for the visit, and
that they deeply appreciated the Saen-
gerbund's cable, which they received at
Genoa, welcoming them "godspeed" on their
trip across the ocean.

Mr. Lepper, president of the Saenger-
bund, presented to Mr. Kunzfeld a di-
ploma of honorary membership of the
Vienna Society in the Washington Saen-
gerbund, and pinned on Mr. Kunzfeld's coat
lapel the golden lyre badge of the bund.
Herr Kunzfeld expressed his thanks in
the name of the Vienna society.

Frank Claudy, honorary president of the
Saengerbund, read an original poem of
greeting and welcome. He received an
ovation.

Commissioner Rudolph, who was the
next speaker, and who delivered his ad-
dress in German, extended a greeting to
the singers "in the spirit of universal
brotherhood and unselfish hospitality, and
in the name of the citizens and the gov-
ernment of the District of Columbia."

Commissioner Rudolph said:

Honor to Capital.

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies, and Gentle-
men, it is indeed indeed a city, a city
even the capital of a nation, is so con-
spicuously honored as Washington is to-
day by the visit of the Academic Sing-
ing Society, our guests and friends, from
the University of Vienna."

"I greet you in the spirit of universal
brotherhood and unselfish hospitality, and
in the name of the citizens and the gov-
ernment of the District of Columbia. I
bid you a hearty welcome."

"Hospitality means more than the mere
opening of the halls, the hotels, and the
houses; it means the reciprocal opening
of hearts in mutual sympathy and in
ministering to the wishes of the guests.
Such hospitality we hope you have found
in Washington."

"Although the halls of Congress and the
highest court of the land are closed at
this time, we hope that your visit in
our city has been profitable, interesting,
and agreeable, and that at the same time
you have accomplished your mission,
i. e., to see in Washington all things that
are worthy to be seen in the world."

"The aptitude for the enjoyment of life
in the most pleasant way is a trait which
has reached its highest development more
in Vienna than in any other place. There-
fore, we send our students and scholars
to Vienna, that while they study the
works of art and science they may also
learn from the Viennese the secret of
how to extract from life the greatest
measure of happiness. Hence we extend
our greetings to the singers from the
University of Vienna."

Far-reaching in Results.

"It is an indisputable fact that the com-
ing to America of your countrymen, the
Austrians and the Germans in general,
has added to our civilization an element
which has been conducive to its polit-
ical, social, and industrial development,
and far-reaching in its results."

"Naturally we include in this love
for religious and political freedom; the
devotion to science and literature; the
love of the fatherland; affection and
friendship for each other; and the faculty
of making the most of opportunities for
happiness. And these are stronger than
political ties; stronger than commercial
ties, and bind our hearts closely together.
Men of one tongue and like spirit, reared
along the same lines, cannot be separated
by the Atlantic Ocean, but are united by
those wireless communications which pass
from soul to soul. This friendship, we
hope, will last forever!"

"Especially have the singing societies
with their German song added a vast
and invaluable element to the social life
in our country."

"Ubi bene ibi patria."
The great German scholar who main-
tained that—

Who loves not wife, nor wine and song,
Remains a fool his whole life long.

has said: "Wherever they sing you
may stay without fear, for wicked people
have no songs."

"The chairman, I understand, has pre-
sented to you this morning the key to the
city, and with it the freedom of the city.
Like the great Roman, you can say:
Veni, vidi, vici!"

"The key which I now present to you
is not Milton's key, that opened the gates
of eternity, but it is the key that opens
our hearts and makes secure our mutual
friendship; and we wish and hope that
after using it, you will receive such an

JUSTICE TO THE NEGRO.

Prof. Kelly Miller, on Appeal of
Howard University Students.

Editor The Washington Herald:
I have just read your editorial
in last Friday's issue under the
caption, "Ill-tempered Appeal for
the Negro."

It appears that the council of
upper classes of Howard Univer-
sity has sent out a spirited
appeal to the press of the coun-
try, protesting against the abuse
of flaming headlines, from which
the reputation of the negro race
suffers great injustice.

However worthy may have
been the object of this organiza-
tion, or of the individual or in-
dividuals assuming to speak for
it, they have made themselves ob-
ligable to discipline for a flagrant
infraction of the regulations of
the university. These regula-
tions provide that no student or
organization of students shall
engage in any public discussion
involving the name and policy
of the institution without pre-
vious consultation with the prop-
er authorities.

The evil at which these young
men are striking wildly is in-
deed an aggravating one. The
misrepresentation of daring head-
lines is a cheap, reprehensible
journalistic device, of which the
negro is by no means the only
victim. And yet it will be read-
ily allowed that any institution
would be in constant jeopardy
that permitted its name to be in-
volved in public discussion
through the uncontrolled utter-
ances of its student body in their
feverish anxiety to settle the
evils of the universe.

Reflection upon the attitude of
your paper by this circular is
particularly unfair and unfortu-
nate, for neither Howard Univer-
sity nor the negro race has a
better journalistic friend than
The Washington Herald.

KELLY MILLER,
Howard University, Aug. 27.

Impression of us and our city that you
will wish to remain or soon to return.

"I conclude with the beautiful song
about Vienna in a slightly changed form:

"There is only one royal city (Vienna),
If not indeed higher or lower,
There is only one Washington,
To which we must go."

Commissioner Rudolph presented to the
rector of the Vienna University, Mgr.
Dr. Swoboda, a key of solid gold, em-
blematic of the bonds of friendship in-
tered into between the people of this city
and the Austrian visitors.

Dr. Swoboda, in an eloquent speech,
thanked him for the magnificent gift.
He said he had found in this city a great
similarity with Vienna in its splendid
palaces and the gentility of the people,
and that the halls of the White House
reminded him of those in the imperial
palaces. Dr. Swoboda received an ova-
tion.

Presented with Cup.

The most important event of the even-
ing was the presentation of a huge silver
loving cup, suitably inscribed, by Miss
Louise Bausch in behalf of the Saenger-
bund to the Vienna singers. Miss Bausch
recited a short poem in presenting the
cup to Herr Kunzfeld, who responded in
the name of his colleagues, and in turn
presented to President Lepper, of the
bund, a silver tablet showing in bas re-
lief the building of the University of
Vienna and a student in full dress uni-
form.

Kurt Voelckner and Gustav Bender,
both representing the United German Soci-
eties, also made short addresses.

The speechmaking concluded, the buffet
lunch received the attention of the
guests and their hosts, and the social side
of the programme was entered into. The
visiting singers gave a number of chor-
uses, and Prof. Halatschka, the cele-
brated baritone of Vienna University,
sang three numbers. The evening's en-
tertainment closed with a kommers, the first
part of which was "commanded" by
Kurt Voelckner and consisted of singing
of college songs, interspersed with the
stein, and the second part of which was
"commanded" by the Vienna students.

The function came to an end shortly
after midnight, and this morning at 8
o'clock the visitors will leave for Phila-
delphia.

The Vienna contingent did not arrive
until noon yesterday and was taken to
the New Willard, where they partook of
dinner.

At 2 o'clock they went to the Library of
Congress in automobiles. In the rotunda
of the library they sang "Gaudemus
Liguri." From the library they visited
the Capitol, after which they went to the
White House, where they also sang two
chorus songs. After a sightseeing tour
of the principal thoroughfares of the city,
they returned to the New Willard, to
prepare for the evening's festivities.

ALLEYS IN DISTRICT TO GO

Condemnation Board's Bill Will Be
Sent to Congress.

The board for the condemnation of in-
sanitary buildings is at work on a plan
to acquire for the District all alleys,
streets, and courts lying within the
boundaries of the city proper, with the
exception of a few such streets and
courts which are to be eliminated by the
carrying out of the Mall project and the
establishment in their stead of breath-
ing spaces, which may be parks, or chil-
dren's playgrounds.

The board is composed of Assistant
Engineer Commissioner Markham, Health
Officer Woodward, and Building Inspec-
tor Hacker.

They are preparing a bill, which will
be placed before Congress about Decem-
ber 1, providing for the complete aboli-
tion of all the alley streets and insanitary
places in the city, and especially
Willow Tree alley.

The police census shows that Willow
Tree alley has a population of 47.
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while the remainder are negroes.

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Condition of the Water.

Harper Ferry, W. Va., Aug. 28.—Potomac clear
and Sheanandah slightly cloudy this evening.

Ocean Steamships.

New York, Aug. 28.—Atlantic, from Liver-
pool, August 29; California, from Glasgow, August 29.
Arrived out: Campania, at Liverpool; St. Paul, at
Southampton; Onychia, at Cherbourg; Cedric, at
Liverpool; United States, at Christchurch; Colum-
bia, at Glasgow.

Sailed from foreign ports: Lusitania, from Queens-
town; Lapland, from Dover; Celtic, from Queen-
stown.

Time Table.

Today—High tide, 2:30 a. m. and 5:31 p. m. Low
tide, 9:30 a. m. and 9:33 p. m.

To-morrow—High tide, 3:18 a. m. and 4:27 p. m.
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KOREA PART OF JAPAN

Washington Takes Cogni-
zance of Annexation.

NOT EQUAL TO SELF RULE

Official Declaration of the Japanese
Government Explains Why Much
Disputed Territory Has Been
Taken Under the Protection of
the Mikado Himself.

The State Department yesterday for-
mally recognized Japan's treaty of an-
nexation which makes Korea a part of
the empire of the Mikado, and Acting
Secretary of State Huntington Wilson
gave out the imperial edict announcing
the end of the Korean principality.

The state department of Japan says the
Mikado "consents" to annex Korea "in
order to maintain peace and stability"
and to "insure the safety and repose of
foreign residents."

The declaration of the Japanese gov-
ernment follows:

Unequal to Self Rule.

Notwithstanding the earnest and laborious work
of reforms in the administration of Korea, in which
the governments of Japan and Korea have been en-
gaged for more than four years since the conclusion
of the agreement of 1905, the existing system of
government in that country has not proved entirely
equal to the duty of preserving public order and
tranquillity, and, in addition, the spirit of suspi-
cion and misgiving dominates the whole peninsula.

In order to maintain peace and stability in Korea,
to provide the property and welfare of the Ko-
reans, and at the same time to insure the safety
and repose of the foreign residents, it has been
made a condition of the agreement of 1905, that in
the actual regime of government are absolutely
essential. The governments of Japan and Korea,
being convinced of the urgent necessity of intro-
ducing reforms responsive to the requirements of
the situation and of furnishing sufficient guarantee
for the future, have, with the approval of his
majesty the Emperor of Japan and his majesty the
Emperor of Korea, concluded, through their respec-
tive plenipotentiaries, a treaty providing for the
complete annexation of Korea to the empire of
Japan. By virtue of that important act, which
shall take effect on its promulgation on the 25th
of August, 1910, the imperial government of Japan
undertakes the entire government and administration
of Korea, and they hereby declare that matters re-
lating to foreigners and foreign trade in Korea shall
be conducted in accordance with the following rules:

Treaties Applicable to Korea.

Treaties hitherto concluded by Korea with for-
eign powers coming to be operative, Japan's existing
treaties will, so far as practicable, be applied to
Korea. Powers resident in Korea will, so far as
conditions permit, enjoy the same rights and
immunities as in Japan proper, and the protection
of their legally acquired rights, subject in all cases
to the jurisdiction of Japan. The imperial govern-
ment of Japan is ready to consent that the juris-
diction in respect of cases actually pending in any
foreign consular courts in Korea at the time the
treaty of annexation takes effect shall remain in
such courts until final decision.

Independence of any conventional engagements